



Civic Centre  
HARTLEPOOL

9 May 2025

Councillors Allen, Bailey-Fleet, Boddy, Buchan, Clayton, Cook, Cranney, Creevy, Darby, Dodds, Dunbar, Feeney, Hall, Hargreaves, Harrison, Holbrook, Jorgeson, Leedham, Lindridge, Little, Male, Martin-Wells, Moore, Morley, Napper, Nelson, Oliver, Reeve, Riddle, Roy, Scarborough, Smith, Thompson, C Wallace, S Wallace and Young

Madam or Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend the ANNUAL COUNCIL meeting to be held on TUESDAY, 20 MAY 2025 at 7.00 pm in the Civic Centre, Hartlepool to consider the subjects set out in the attached agenda.

Yours faithfully

D McGuckin  
Managing Director

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# ANNUAL COUNCIL AGENDA



**Tuesday 20 May 2025**

**at 7.00 pm**

**in the Council Chamber  
Civic Centre, Hartlepool**

- (1) To elect a person to preside at the meeting if the Chair (Ceremonial Mayor) and Vice Chair (Deputy Ceremonial Mayor) is not present;
- (2) To receive apologies from absent Elected Members;
- (3) To elect the Chair of Council (Ceremonial Mayor) for the coming municipal year;
- (4) To elect the Vice Chair of Council (Deputy Ceremonial Mayor) for the coming municipal year;
- (5) To receive any announcements from the Chair of Council (Ceremonial Mayor) and/or Head of Paid Service;
- (6) To elect the Leader of the Council and a Deputy Leader of the Council for the coming municipal year;
- (7) To approve a programme of meetings of the Council for the year; and
- (8) To make appointments to committees and other bodies as required by the Constitution
- (9) To make appointments to joint committees and other outside bodies where appointment is reserved to Council
- (10) To resolve to adjourn the Annual Meeting to 22 May 2025 at 7.00 pm to receive suitable presentations from the newly elected Chair of Council (Ceremonial Mayor)

## CIVIC CENTRE EVACUATION AND ASSEMBLY PROCEDURE

In the event of a fire alarm or a bomb alarm, please leave by the nearest emergency exit as directed by Council Officers. A Fire Alarm is a continuous ringing. A Bomb Alarm is a continuous tone. The Assembly Point for everyone is Victory Square by the Cenotaph. If the meeting has to be evacuated, please proceed to the Assembly Point so that you can be safely accounted for.

## **1. Council Meeting Dates 2025 / 26**

- 1.1 The following are the proposed Council meeting dates for 2025 / 26. Members are reminded that once agreed the programme of ordinary meetings can only be amended by Council.
- 1.2 The proposed new dates for ordinary Council meetings are:-
  - Thursday 10 July 2025
  - Thursday 2 October 2025
  - Thursday 11 December 2025
  - Thursday 15 January 2026
  - Thursday 19 February 2026
  - Thursday 19 March 2026
  - Tuesday 19 May, 2026 (Annual Council)
  - Thursday 21 May, 2026 (Mayoral Investiture Ceremony)
- 1.3 The commencement time of all Council meetings will be 7.00 pm. Council is requested, therefore, to approve the meeting dates as set out above.

## **2025/26 BLANK APPOINTMENTS TO CTTEES**

### **INTRODUCTION**

The Local Government and Housing Act 1989 established the principle of the proportional allocation of Committee and Sub-Committee seats. The Council is required also under Section 15(1) of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, to keep under review the representation of the different political groups on bodies appointed by the Council.

### **POLITICAL GROUPS**

In accordance with Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990, the under-mentioned Councillors have given notice to the Managing Director of their wish to be regarded as members of the political groups as set out below:-

## D APPOINTMENTS TO COUNCIL COMMITTEES AND FORUMS

### COMMITTEES AND FORUMS FULFILLING REGULATORY AND OTHER FUNCTIONS

#### Finance and Corporate Affairs Committee\* – 11 Members

1	Councillor Harrison - <i>Chair (Leader)</i>	7	Councillor Nelson
2	Councillor Scarborough - Vice Chair /Deputy Leader)	8	Councillor Napper
3	Councillor Allen - <i>Chair Adult Services</i>	9	Councillor Young
4	<i>TBC - Chair Children's Services</i>	10	Councillor Lindridge
5	Councillor Oliver - <i>Chair Neighbourhood Services</i>	11	Councillor Little
6	Councillor Hargreaves - <i>Chair Economic Growth</i>		

(\*Membership NOT to include any Audit and Governance Committee members)  
Plus Parish Council Representative – Minna Ireland (Dalton Piercy Parish Council)

#### Adult and Community Based Services Committee – 7 Members

1	Councillor Allen - <i>Chair</i>	5	Councillor Boddy
2	Councillor Roy - <i>Vice Chair</i>	6	Councillor Little
3	Councillor Hall	7	Councillor Napper
4	Councillor Cook		

Parish Council Representative – Scott Gaiety (Headland Parish Council).

#### Neighbourhoods Services Committee – 7 Members

1	Councillor Oliver - <i>Chair</i>	5	Councillor Cook
2	Councillor Riddle - <i>Vice Chair</i>	6	Councillor Darby
3	Councillor C Wallace	7	Councillor Little
4	Councillor Male		

Parish Council Representatives – Stephen Smith (Greatham Parish Council) and Lyn Noble (Dalton Piercy Parish Council)

**Economic Growth and Regeneration Committee –7 Members**

1	Councillor Hargreaves - <i>Chair</i>	5	Councillor Nelson
2	Councillor Dodds <i>Vice - Chair</i>	6	Councillor Young
3	Councillor Riddle	7	Councillor Lindridge
4	Councillor Scarborough		

Parish Council Representative – Stephen Smith (Greatham Parish Council), Sam Lee (Headland Parish Council) and Liz Hurst (Wynyard Parish Council)

**Children's Services Committee –7 Members**

1	<i>Chair</i>	5	Councillor Little
2	Councillor Boddy - <i>Vice Chair</i>	6	Councillor Morley
3	Councillor Holbrook	7	Councillor Buchan
4	Councillor Harrison		

Plus Independent Co-opted Members, including C. of E. and R.C. Representatives (with voting rights) parent governor representatives and potential other co-optees.  
Parish Council Representative – Vacancy.

**Corporate Parent Forum –7 Members**

Membership same as the Children's Services Committee

**Health and Wellbeing Board –4 Members (including Leader of Council)**

1	Councillor Harrison - Chair (Leader)	3	Councillor Darby
2	Councillor Roy	4	Councillor Little

**Licensing Committee –12 Members**

1	Councillor Dunbar - <i>Chair</i>	7	Councillor Dodds
2	Councillor Nelson - <i>Vice Chair</i>	8	Councillor Feeney
3	Councillor Bailey-Fleet	9	Councillor Young
4	Councillor Clayton	10	Councillor Darby
5	Councillor Thompson	11	Councillor Napper
6	Councillor Allen	12	Councillor Little

**Planning Committee –11 Members**

1	Councillor Boddy- <i>Chair</i>	7	Councillor Thompson
2	Councillor Roy - <i>Vice Chair</i>	8	Councillor Feeney
3	Councillor Bailey-Fleet	9	Councillor Napper
4	Councillor Hargreaves	10	Councillor Young
5	Councillor Oliver	11	Councillor Little
6	Councillor Jorgeson		

**Constitution Committee – 9 Members**

1	Councillor Harrison - <i>Chair (Leader)</i>	6	Councillor Bailey-Fleet
2	Councillor Thompson - ( <i>Chair of Council</i> )	7	Councillor Buchan
3	Councillor Dunbar	8	Vacancy (R or I)
4	Councillor Boddy	9	Councillor Little
5	Councillor Dodds		

**Audit and Governance Committee\*** – 10 Members

1	Councillor Moore - <i>Chair</i>	6	Councillor Boddy
2	Councillor Darby - <i>Vice Chair</i>	7	Councillor Morley
3	Councillor Jorgeson	8	Councillor Roy
4	Councillor Holbrook	9	Vacancy (I)
5	Councillor Hall	10	Vacancy (C)

(\*Membership NOT to include any Finance and Policy Committee members and Chair and Vice Chair must NOT be from Majority Group.)

Plus Independent Member(s) for Standards functions and Parish Council representatives when dealing with Parish Council issues and one fully co-opted representative from a responsible local policing body during consideration of Crime and Disorder Committee matters.

**The term of office of Independent Members (David Whitmore and Martin Slimings comes to an end on 8 May 2027)**

**Appointments Panel – 8 Members**

1	Councillor Thompson <i>Chair of Council</i>	5	Councillor Morley
2	Councillor Harrison <i>Leader of Council</i>	6	Councillor Buchan
3	Councillor Hargreaves	7	Councillor Little
4	Councillor Oliver	8	Vacancy (I)

\*Plus relevant Policy Chair if not already a Member

**Civic Honours Committee** – 5 Members

1	Councillor Thompson <i>Chair of Council**</i>	4	Councillor Little
2	Councillor Holbrook	5	Councillor Young
3	Councillor Dodds		

\*\* Outside of political balance calculations

**Appeals Committee** – 5 Members

1	Councillor Buchan	4	<i>Vacancy (L)</i>
2	Councillor Little	5	<i>Vacancy (L)</i>
3	<i>Vacancy (L)</i>		

Independent co-opted member - John McDade



# **APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS AND OTHER BODIES**

## **1. Introduction and explanation**

The attached schedules show the categorisation of the currently recognised outside organisations and other bodies. There are five main categories as follows:

- (i) Joint Committees
- (ii) Leadership Bodies and Partnerships
- (iii) Advisory
- (iv) Council in the Community
- (v) Other Decision Making Bodies

It will be open to the Council to make Officer nominations where appropriate in respect of most bodies, the main exception being formal Joint Committees where Member attendance is a statutory requirement. In some cases it may be possible and appropriate to make nominations of persons from outside of Council.

These sub categories have been determined as follows:

### **(i) Joint Committees**

Part IV of the Local Government Act 1972 and other specific legislation provides that the arrangements for the discharge of functions may be through a joint Committee of two or more Local Authorities.

### **(ii) Leadership Bodies and Partnerships**

Involvement in such bodies and partnerships will cover the following roles:

- to represent the interests of Hartlepool
- to lead the community planning process
- to be the focus for forming partnerships with other public, private, voluntary and community sector organisations to address local needs.

### **(iii) Advisory**

Bodies which relate to the Council's functions in an advisory or influencing capacity.

**(iv) Council in the community**

These are bodies which do not discharge functions of the Council and where the principal role of Elected Members who are nominated will be to represent constituency interests, whether at the Ward or Borough level.

**(v) Other decision making bodies**

These are decision making bodies other than Joint Committees.

**(i) JOINT COMMITTEES**

	<b><u>Organisation</u></b>	<b><u>2025/26 Membership</u></b>
3	<b>Archives Joint Committee</b>	(1) Cllr Male Designated Sub: TBC
5	<b>Cleveland Emergency Planning Joint Committee</b>	(1) Cllr Oliver (Chair of Neighbourhood Services Committee) Designated Sub: Cllr C Wallace
7	<b>Cleveland Police and Crime Panel</b> (Statutory Guidance applies) <b>(Politically balanced across Cleveland area – 1 Lab, 1 Con)</b>	(1) Cllr Oliver Designated Sub: Cllr Male (2) Cllr Darby Designated Sub: Cllr Napper
30	<b>North Eastern Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority</b>	(1) Cllr Napper
33	<b>Northumbria Regional Flood and Coastal Committee</b>	(1) Cllr Napper
48	<b>Tees Valley Joint Health Scrutiny Committee</b> (2025/26 Redcar and Cleveland BC to Chair)	(1) Cllr Moore (Chair of Audit and Governance Committee) (2) Cllr Boddy (Member of A and G Committee) (3) Cllr Roy (Member of A and G Committee)
36	<b>Regional Health Joint Scrutiny Committee</b> (South Tyneside Chair)	(1) Cllr Moore (Chair of Audit and Governance Committee)
10	<b>Durham, Darlington and Teesside, Hambleton, Richmondshire and Whitby Sustainability and Transformation Plans (STP) Joint Health Scrutiny Committee</b>	(1) Cllr Moore (Chair of Audit and Governance Committee)*  (2) * refer to Audit and Governance Committee  (3) * refer to Audit and Governance Committee  (*Member of Audit and Governance Cttee)
34	<b>Patrol (Parking and Traffic Regulations Outside London) Adjudication Joint Committee</b>	(1) Cllr Clayton

**(ii) LEADERSHIP BODIES & PARTNERSHIPS**

	<b><u>Organisation</u></b>	<b><u>2025/26 Membership</u></b>
4	<b>Association of North East Councils</b> Sub-groups of ANEC as noted below:  Leaders and Elected Mayor's Group  Collaborative Procurement Sub-Group (replaces NEPO appointment)  North East Culture Partnership Board	No nominations required – appointments are no longer required for the full association  (1) Leader, Cllr Harrison (2) Managing Director (Advisory capacity)  (1) Cllr Harrison (Chair of Finance and Corporate Affairs Committee)  (1) Cllr Hargreaves
11	<b>Durham Heritage Coast Partnership Steering Group</b>	(1) Cllr Male
17	<b>Hartlepool and District Sports Council</b>	(1) Cllr Roy (2) Cllr Jorgeson (3) Cllr Holbrook
19	<b>Hartlepool Power Station</b>  <b>(i) Community Liaison Committee</b>  <b>(ii) Emergency Planning Committee</b>	(1) Cllr Dodds (2) Cllr C Wallace (3) Asst Director, Preventative and Community Based Services  (1) Chief Emergency Planning Officer
50	<b>Tees Valley Leaders and Elected Mayor's Group</b>	(1) Leader – Cllr Harrison (Sub Deputy Leader – Cllr Scarborough) (2) Managing Director
49	<b>Tees Valley Leaders &amp; Chief Executive's Meeting</b>	(1) Leader – Cllr Harrison (Sub Deputy Leader - Cllr Scarborough) (2) Managing Director
22	<b>Local Government Association</b>	(1) Cllr Harrison (Leader) (2) Cllr Scarborough (Deputy Leader)
22	<b>Local Government Association Coastal Special Interest Group</b>	(1) Cllr Riddle

	<b><u>Organisation</u></b>	<b><u>2025/26 Membership</u></b>
28	<b>North East Migration Partnership Member Forum</b>	(1) Councillor Harrison (Chair of Finance and Corporate Affairs Committee)
31	<b>North Tees and Hartlepool NHS Foundation Trust</b>	(1) Cllr Roy
32	<b>Northern Consortium of Housing Authorities</b>	(1) Cllr Harrison (Chair of Finance and Corporate Affairs Committee) (2) Cllr Scarborough (Vice-Chair of Finance and Corporate Affairs Committee)
38	<b>Safer Hartlepool Partnership</b>	(1) Cllr Harrison (Leader) (2) Cllr Oliver (Chair of Neighbourhood Services Committee)
41	<b>Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education</b> (Term of office 2024-2028)	(1) Cllr Harrison (2) <b>Vacancy</b>
42	<b>Tees Esk and Wear Valley NHS Trust</b>	Cllr Boddy
47	<b>Tees Valley Combined Authority Board</b>  <b>(i) Transport Committee</b>	(1) Cllr Harrison (Leader) (Sub – Cllr Hargreaves)  (1) Cllr Oliver (Chair of Neighbourhood Services Committee) (Sub – Cllr Dodds)
	<b>(ii) Audit and Governance Committee</b>  <b>Politically balanced (Lab– 1)</b>	(1) Cllr Morley (Member of Audit and Governance Committee) Sub – Cllr Roy
	<b>(iii) Overview and Scrutiny Committee</b> <b>Politically balanced (Lab – 2 / Cons – 1) - Membership of Overview and Scrutiny not to include the TVCA Audit and Governance Member or Transport Committee Member.</b>	(1) Cllr Creevy (Sub – Cllr Allen) (2) Cllr Nelson (Sub – Cllr Dodds) (3) Cllr Young (Sub – Cllr Darby)
	<b>(iv) Independent Remuneration Panel</b>  <b>(v) Education, Employment and Skills Partnership Board</b>	(1) Martin Slimings (Independent Member)  (1) Cllr Hargreaves (Sub – Cllr Dodds)
25	<b>National Museum of Royal Navy Hartlepool (NMRN Hartlepool) Charitable Trust</b>	(1) (2) Managing Director*  *Board Members are both company directors and trustees.

	<b><u>Organisation</u></b>	<b><u>2025/26 Membership</u></b>
55	<b>The Northern Studios (Hartlepool) Limited</b>	(1) Managing Director* *Board Member is Company Director
26	<b>North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (ICB)</b> (Term of office 2025-2027)	(1) No appointment required – appointed by ANEC
27	<b>North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Partnership</b>	(1) Cllr Harrison (Leader) (2) Director of Public Health
18	<b>Hartlepool Mayoral Development Corporation</b> (Mayoral Appointment)	(1) Board Member – Mayoral Appointment (2) Denise McGuckin (Associate Member/Non-voting)
43	<b>Tees Port Welfare Committee</b>	(1) Cllr Dodds
9	<b>Domestic Abuse Strategic Partnership</b>	(1) Cllr Oliver

(iii) **ADVISORY**

	<b><u>Organisation</u></b>	<b><u>2025/26 Membership</u></b>
23	<b>Local Joint Consultative Committee</b> *Politically balanced (Lab – 2, Con – 1, Indep – 1)  ** Dependent on subject matter to be considered	(1) Cllr Boddy* (2) Cllr Dunbar* (3) Cllr Holbrook* (4) Cllr Feeney* (5) S Williams (Union rep) (6) E Jeffries (Union rep) (7) T Harvey (Union rep) (8) J Seymour (Union rep) (9) Managing Director (10) Chief Solicitor (11) A N Other Officer** (12) A N Other Officer**  Plus: Leader, Deputy Leader, Leader of Majority Group (non-voting)
39	<b>Schools Admission Forum</b>	(1) Cllr Boddy (Vice -Chair of Children's Services Committee) (2) Cllr Harrison (3) Cllr Bailey-Fleet

(iv) COUNCIL IN THE COMMUNITY

	<b><u>Organisation</u></b>	<b><u>2025/26 Membership</u></b>
2	<b>Age UK Teesside</b>	(1) Cllr Napper
6	<b>Cleveland Fire Authority</b> Politically balanced (Lab – 2, Con / Ind – 1)  <b>Executive</b>	(1) Cllr C Wallace (2) Cllr Allen (3) Cllr Buchan  (1) Fire Authority appoint to Executive
44	<b>Teesside International Airport Board</b>	(1) Cllr Roy
45	<b>Teesside International Airport Consultative Committee</b>	(1) Cllr Male
14	<b>Fairtrade Town Steering Group</b>	(1) Cllr Harrison
15	<b>Fostering Panel</b> (3 year term ends 2026)	(1) Cllr Harrison
1	<b>Adoption Tees Valley Board</b> (3 year term ends 2028)	(1) Cllr Harrison
20	<b>Hartlepool War Memorial and Crosby Homes</b> (4 year term of office – 2023 to 2026)	(1) Ex-officio Chair of Council (2) Cllr C Wallace
21	<b>Henry Smith Educational Charity</b> (i) Nominated trustees – Term of office 1 year	(1) TBC (Chair of Children's Services Committee) (2) Cllr Nelson (3) Cllr Jorgeson
35	<b>Preston Simpson Scholarship in Music</b> (Term of Office 2025 - 2029)	(1) Cllr Harrison (2) Cllr Creevy (3) Mr Chris Simmons
37	<b>River Tees Port Health Authority</b>	(1) TBC (2) TBC
52	<b>Teesmouth Field Centre</b>	(1) Cllr Boddy (2) Appropriate Officer
56	<b>Victoria and Jubilee Homes</b> (Term of Office 2022-2026)	(1) Cllr Hall (2) Cllr Allen (3) Cllr Male (4) Cllr Riddle
	<b><u>Champions</u></b>	
	<b>Armed Forces Champion</b>	(1) Cllr Chris Wallace



	<b><u>Organisation</u></b>	<b><u>2025/26 Membership</u></b>
	<b>Veterans Champion</b>	(1) Nomination from Armed Forces Liaison Group – Mr Terence Phillips
	<b>Heritage Champion (Member of Planning Committee)</b>	(1) Cllr Jorgeson
	<b>Mental Health Champion</b>	(1) Cllr Boddy
	<b>Older Persons Champion (Chair of Adult and Community Based Services Committee)</b>	(1) Cllr Allen
	<b>Refugee Champion</b>	(1) Cllr Thompson
	<b>Children in our care Champion</b>	(1) <b>TBC</b> (Chair Children's Services Cttee)

*Other than the Armed Forces Champion, there is no requirement for a Member to present an Annual report to a meeting of Full Council. However, if a Member Champion would like to present an Annual Report, arrangements will be made to facilitate that presentation. There shall be no more than one presentation by a Member Champion at any meeting of Full Council*

**(v) OTHER DECISION MAKING BODIES**

	<b><u>Organisation</u></b>	<b><u>2025/26 Membership</u></b>
24	<b>National Association of Councillors:</b>  <b>English Region</b>          <b>General Management Committee</b>	(1) Cllr Harrison (Leader) (Voting) (2) Cllr Scarborough (Deputy Leader) (Voting) (3) Vacancy Only 2 voting elected Members/ to be specified  (1) Cllr Harrison (Leader) (Voting) (2) Cllr Scarborough (Deputy Leader) (Voting) (3) Vacancy Only 2 voting Elected Members/ to be specified
29	<b>North East Regional Employers Organisation</b>    <b>Executive</b>	(1) Cllr Hargreaves (Chair of Economic Growth and Regeneration Committee) (2) Cllr Scarborough (3) Cllr Nelson  (1) Cllr Hargreaves (Chair of Economic Growth and Regeneration Committee)
54	<b>Teesside Pension Fund</b>  <b>Teesside Pension Board (4 year Term of office 2023 – 2027)****</b>	(1) Cllr Scarborough (1) Vacancy
16	<b>Furness Seaman's Pension Fund*** (4 year Term of office until 2029)</b>	(1) Vacancy (2) Vacancy
53	<b>Teesside Environmental Trust</b>	(1) Cllr Dodds

**(vi) WORKING GROUPS**

	<b><u>Organisation</u></b>	<b><u>2025/26 Membership</u></b>
8	<b>Crustacean Deaths Working Group</b>	(1) Cllr Creevy(Mover of Motion) (2) Cllr Feeney (3) Cllr Hargreaves (Economic Growth and Regeneration Committee Member) (4) Statutory Scrutiny Manager

\*\*\*The persons nominated do not have to be Elected Members of the Council.

\*\*\*\* 2 appointments from Members of Tees Valley Local Authorities .

**APPROVED CONFERENCES:**

Local Government Association Centre for Public Scrutiny

National Association of Councillors (3 delegates to attend)